

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
Environmental Assessment
for
RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING
CUNARD ROAD (NPS Route 6)
and GLADE CREEK ROAD (NPS Route 14)

NEW RIVER GORGE NATIONAL RIVER
FAYETTE AND RALEIGH COUNTIES, WEST VIRGINIA

The National Park Service and the Federal Highway Administration are pleased to announce the availability of the *Environmental Assessment for Reconstruction and Resurfacing Cunard Road (NPS Route 6) and Glade Creek Road (NPS Route 14) at New River Gorge National River*. The Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, of the Federal Highway Administration, has prepared this document in cooperation with the New River Gorge National River in order to provide guidance in determining the appropriate actions needed to perform the identified repairs. The *Environmental Assessment* has been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality.

Preferred Alternative: The preferred alternative proposes to improve driving conditions and safety concerns on Cunard Road and improve drainage along Glade Creek Road. Proposed work also includes upgrading parking areas and pullouts, and stabilizing the structural aspects of both roads. Minor widening and paving would be performed on Cunard Road. Improvements to Glade Creek Road would include the addition of aggregate base material to the surface and re-establishment of the ditches.

Public Review: The National Park Service considers public involvement to be an important component to a successful planning process and we invite you to furnish written comments to the address below:

**Superintendent
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P. O. Box 246
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The *Environmental Assessment* will be available for public review at the following locations:

New River Gorge National River Headquarters located at 104 Main Street, WV;
Canyon Rim Visitor Center located in Lansing, WV;
Fayette County Public Library located at 531 Summit Street, Oak Hill, WV;
Raleigh County Library located at 221 North Kanawha Street, Beckley, WV;
Summers County Public Library located at 201 Temple Street, Hinton WV;
and on the world wide web at www.efl.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/nepa.htm.

Additional copies of the Environmental Assessment may be obtained by writing to: Ms. Brigitte A. Azran, Environmental Compliance Engineer, Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, 21400 Ridgetop Circle, Sterling, Virginia 20166. If you have any additional questions concerning this announcement, please contact Ms. Brigitte Azran at (703) 404-6283.

Please submit all comments by the closing of the comment period on March 21, 2003.